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## REQUEST

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## CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTOISBI29) Instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment of ovisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 Jan. 11, 2005 a. X Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_ THE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT IS MET BY APPLICANTS AMENDMENT UPON FINAL REJECTION, FILED Jan. 11, 2005 ALONG WITH ITS b. Enclosed Amendment/Reply i. NEW ISSUES NOTED IN ADVISORY Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ACTION, NOTED IN ADVISORY ACTION Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) OF 1/26/05, TO BE ENTERED AND CONSIDERED -2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) REQUEST FOR A SECOND MONTH EXTENSION TO Feb. 16, 2005 IS Other 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0105 Deposit Account No.\_ 02/24/2005 BABRAHA1 00000008 10601270 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 790.00 DP Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) iii. M Other ONLY ANY DEFICIENCY IN REQUIRED FEES IF ANY b. XX Checkin the amount of \$ 790. \_\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 22,345 MARTIN A. FARBER (Print IType) Name 2/16/05 Date Signature CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on: MARTIN A. FARBER Name (Print/Type)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may

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